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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: SITREP ON PAN AM SCHEDULES

REF: SAN SALVADOR 0829

1. PAN AM'S LOCAL DIRECTOR MARTINEZ WAS TOLD BY DAC COL. DHEMING APRIL 26 THAT A 60- DAY TEMPORARY APPROVAL WOULD BE GIVEN THE SUMMER SCHEDULE, WHICH TAKES EFFECT APRIL 29. IN RESPONSE TO MARTINEZ' REQUEST FOR THE RATIONALE BEHIND ONLY A TEMPORARY APPROVAL DHEMING SAID THAT 1) HE WAS STILL WAITING FOR A REPORT FROM TACA ON THE EFFECTS OF THE CURRENT SCHEDULE, (WHICH REALLY HAS NO BEARING ON THE SUMMER SCHEDULE) AND 2) THE VICE PRESIDENT (MAYORGA RIVAS) HAD SO DESIRED. MARTINEZ IS CONSIDERING SEEKING AN APPOINTMENT WITH ECONMIN SANCHEZ AT WHICH HE COULD ARGUE THAT SINCE THE NEW SCHEDULE REFLECTS CURTAILMENTS WHICH HELP TACA AND THERE IS NO TACA OPPOSITION, THE TEMPORARY APPROVAL MUST REPRESENT EITHER GOES MISUNDERSTANDING OR UNWARRANTED HARRASSMENT.

2. THE APRIL 29 SCHEDULE REFLECTS PAN AM'S EXPERIENCE, UNDER THE CURRENT SCHEDULE, ON THE FINANCIAL VIABILITY OF THE DAILY NIGHT FLIGHTS TO MIAMI AND THE THREE- WEEKLY FLIGHTS TO NEW ORLEANS, ALL OF WHICH HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED FROM THE APRIL 29 SCHEDULE. MARTINEZ' CONVERSATIONS WITH TACA' S V. P. QUEZADA REVEALED TACA'S NEUTRALITY ON THE SCHEDULING ISSUE. TACA HAS SAID THAT IT SEES THE SEPTEMBER EXAMINATION FOR THE RENEWAL

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OF PAN AM' S OPERATING PERMIT AS THE REAL ISSUE AND IT WILL
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